

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-8 (Canceled).

Claim 9 (New): A remote control device, comprising:

a processor;

a motion detector in communication with the processor, wherein the motion detector communicates a signal to the processor indicating a direction in which the remote control device is moved; and

a directional mode indicator in communication with the processor, wherein the directional mode indicator is configured to receive a signal from the processor indicative of the direction in which the remote control device is moved, wherein the directional mode indicator is configured to display an indication of the direction in which the remote control device is moved, and wherein the indication of the direction in which the remote control device is moved corresponds to a mode of operation of the remote control device.

Claim 10 (New): The device of claim 9, wherein the motion detector is one of a gravity switch and a gyroscope-type device.

Claim 11 (New): The device of claim 9, wherein the motion detector is configured to detect a change from a horizontal position in at least two degrees of freedom.

Claim 12 (New): The device of claim 9, wherein the motion detector is configured to detect one of a tilting and an absence of tilting of the remote control device.

Claim 13 (New): The device of claim 9, wherein the processor includes a microprocessor.

Claim 14 (New): The device of claim 9, wherein the mode of operation of the remote control device is one of a VCR mode, a DVD mode, a DVR mode, a satellite mode, a cable mode, a home theater component mode, and a stereo component mode.

Claim 15 (New): The device of claim 9, further comprising a light source in communication with the processor.

Claim 16 (New): The device of claim 15, wherein the light source is configured to illuminate at least a portion of the directional mode indicator in response to a signal from the processor.

Claim 17 (New): The device of claim 9, wherein the directional mode indicator includes a plurality of arrows that indicate a direction of tilt of the remote control device.

Claim 18 (New): The device of claim 9, wherein the directional mode indicator includes a speaker.

Claim 19 (New): The device of claim 9, further comprising a storage area in communication with the processor.

Claim 20 (New): A remote control device, comprising:  
a housing;  
processor means located in the housing;  
motion detector means located in the housing and in communication with the processor means;  
at least one input means located in the housing and in communication with the processor means; and

directional mode indicator means in communication with the processor means for indicating a mode of operation of the device based on a signal generated by the motion detector means.

Claim 21 (New): The device of claim 20, wherein the housing is constructed from the group consisting of metal and plastic.

Claim 22 (New): The device of claim 20, further comprising storage means located in the housing and in communication with the processor means.

Claim 23 (New): A remote control device, comprising:

a housing;

a processor located in the housing;

a motion detector located in the housing and in communication with the processor; and

a directional mode indicator in communication with the processor;

wherein the processor is configured to receive a signal from the motion detector indicating movement of the remote control device and to transmit a signal to the directional mode indicator that represents a direction of the movement of the remote control device.

Claim 24 (New): The device of claim 23, wherein the directional mode indicator is configured to visually indicate the direction of movement of the remote control device.

Claim 25 (New): The device of claim 23, wherein the directional mode indicator is configured to audibly indicate the direction of movement of the remote control device.

Claim 26 (New): The device of claim 23, further comprising an input device in communication with the processor.

Claim 27 (New): The device of claim 23, further comprising a storage area in communication with the processor.

Claim 28 (New): The device of claim 23, further comprising a light source in communication with the processor.